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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: HEPATITIS B VIRUS POLYPEPTIDES

the specification of which (check one)

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 was filed on in the United States Patent and Trademark Office as Application Serial No. and was amended on N/A (if applicable).

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			Priority Claimed	
(Application No.)	(Country)	(Filing Date)	Yes	No
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